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INDIFFERENCE OF PEOPLE NOTA BLE SEQUENCE OF TRAGEDY.

Montenegro Enthusiastic Over New Dynasty - Illuminations and

BELGRADE, Servia, June 16 .- A deputation of the two chambers, composed of four senators and twenty deputies, headed by the presidents of the two houses, left Belgrade by special train last night to inform King Peter of his election to the The officers who have been appointed to attend the king went on the same train. The deputation is expected to return here with the king on Monday or Tuesday next.

ing and adjourned for the purpose of going to the cathedral, where a great thanksgiving service, including a te deum, was

Extraordinary lack of interest is shown by the majority of the people in the events arising from the revolution. The notice issued by the municipal authorities yesterday calling on the inhabitants to decorate their houses in honor of the new king has met with scant attention, and the town illuminations last night were not brilliant.

A military band marched through the town playing lively airs, but a heavy rain soon cleared the streets.

No further progress has been made in the revision of the constitution. Many of the better class of Servians aver that the present ministry is inclined to conservative ideas and desires to protract the deliberations on the subject of the modification of

the committee of the chamber appointed to revise the constitution, which had been instructed to produce an entirely new one based on the constitution of 1888. The more liberal politicians strongly object to the incorporation in the new constitution of the principle that the people shall receive the constitution from the king at all.

### Montenegro Enthuses.

CETTINJE, Montenegro, June 16.-The proclamation of Prince Peter Karageorgevitch as King of Servia was received with the greatest satisfaction by Prince Nicholas, King Peter's father-in-law, and the Montenegrins generally. Salutes were fired. bells were rung and bands paraded the town, which was beflagged and was ila speech to an immense crowd, extolling ancestors of King Peter and at the same time condemning the manner in which King Alexander was assassinated.

nople and have no intention of leaving. The unanimous election of King Peter is accepted as a definitive settlement of the question of the succession to the throne. The Servian legation has officially noti-fied the porte and the foreign diplomats of King Peter's election.

### Quiet Prevails at Belgrade. The following cablegram was received at

the State Department from United States Minister Jackson at Belgrade, dated today "Peter Karageorgevitch has been elected king. Deputation leaves to notify him tomorrow. Perfect quiet prevails."

from Washington directed to King Peter.

### NEVADA AT PORTSMOUTH.

### Will Be Extensively Overhauled-Other Vessels in the Roads.

hands of her builders. Two squadrons now lie in Hampton Roads, and there are several foreign ships there. Altogether, the naval display is very imposing.

Admiral Sands' coast defense squadron has arrived in the Roads for coaling, and was last evening joined by the torpedo flotilla from this yard. The training flotilla from this yard. The training squadron under Admiral Wise is still in the Roads.

# CRASH IN THE TUNNEL.

### Score of People Injured on New York

NEW YORK, June 16.-Three persons, two women and one man, were painfully injured and a score were slightly hurt in a rear-end trolley crash between two Madison avenue cars in the Park avenue tun-

Adeline Weisner of No. 1993 7th avenue; Miss Anna Harrison and Daniel O'Connor of 124th street and 8th avenue. The cars were southbound and crowded with men

and women on their way to business. The forward car had slackened its speed just north of 39th street and as it came almost to a stop was crashed into by the ear following.

### BRIDE DRINKS LAUDANUM.

### Rumors of Street Car Strike Agitate Richmond.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star RICHMOND, Va., June 16.-Mrs. Nellie Smith, a bride of three months, drank two ounces of laudanum at her home today. Domestic trouble is said to be responsible

for the act of the woman. She is quite young and beautiful. Chairman Ellyson has called a meeting of the state democratic committee for

June 25 in this city.

The street car situation remains un-changed, and there are rumors of a strike on all sides. There is to be a midnight meeting of the men tonight.

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# SHARPSHOOTER FEARED

GRAVE APPREHENSIONS FOR EWEN'S SAFETY.

Testimony in Kentucky Trial Points to Jett as the Murderer of

Marcum.

JACKSON, Ky., June 16 .- B. L. Ewen and his family are still in the military camp here and contributions for him are coming from all parts of Kentucky and other states. There are apprehensions that Ewen will be picked off at long range by some sharpshooter while he is in camp, and arrangements are being made for his removal to Lexington

When court convened this morning the defense placed Dr. J. M. Kash on the stand. Dr. Kash was the first man to reach Marcum after the assassin had shot him. Dr. Kash testified that he saw Jett on the walk at the corner of the court house yard ten seconds before the shots were fired. He went directly to Marcum and assisted in carrying him across the street into his office, where he died in five minutes.
Commonwealth Attorney Byrd cross-ex-

amined Dr. Kash, but did not shake his story. Dr. John Taulee, the Hargis family physician, was next placed on the stand and he corroborated Dr. Kash and other defense witnesses.

### Hargis on the Stand.

County Judge James Hargis, an uncle of Jett and the reputed head of the Hargis faction, was called. Hargis stated that he was inside his store when Marcum was killed. He saw White walk out of the court house door and was one-third across the street when the first shot was fired. "When I heard the first shot fired I saw Ewen pitch out of the door and run. I Ewen pitch out of the door and run. I then saw Marcum fall. I came to the door hurriedly. I saw Judge Blanton approach the wounded man. I saw Curt Jett ap-proaching the scene of the tragedy. My recollection is that I saw Dr. Kash approaching about the time the last shot was fired; I am not certain as to the exact

"Ligh Noble was in my store and Sheriff looking toward the court house when the shot was fired. I did not see Ewen look in the hall when the first shot was fired. After the killing I sent for Ewen, or Calla-Hargis stated that he did not know who

Cross-examined by Commonwealth At-torney Byrd, Hargis said he saw nothing unusual in White's actions when he came out of the door. "Did you see Curt Jett anywhere when the shots were fired?" asked Byrd.

"I saw Curt." "Answer my question," said Mr. Byrd. "No; I did not see him."

After a few more questions Hargis was excused by the commonwealth

### FLAG TO BE RAISED TOMORROW. National Colors Over the Department

Secretary Cortelyou for the first time sat at his desk in the New Willard building today for the transaction of business as Secretary of the Department of Commerce. His office, on the third floor of the building. is well arranged for the reception of callers, and if numerous bodies of men belonging to commercial and other industrial organizations come to see him there will be no difficulty in receiving them without a crush. His room is in the front of the building and so arranged that callers can come in one door, pass through his office into an ante-room and then out into the hallway again. It is practically the same arrangement that exists in the offices of the President, which were arranged with a view of having visitors pass through to see the President.

The furniture of Secretary Cortelyou's office at the present time will be used until the new furniture being made for him has arrived. The room is but simply furnished Tomorrow morning the taking possession

of the new building will be celebrated by the raising of a flag. While the department was located temporarily in the Builders Exchange there was no flag over that

The flag raising is to be made a Grand Army feature to the extent that Grand Army comrades are to be given the honor of raising the first flag to float over the new department. Col. L. D. Bumpers, late of the 57th Pennsylvania Volunteers and past commander of Lafayette Post, Department of the Potomac, and also past commander of the Department of the Potomac, Union Veteran Union, together with Col. William Murrell, past commander of I. M. Tucker Post of Newark, N. J., messenger to Secretary Cortelyou, will take part in this ceremony, and they will invite Judge Kimball, as department commander of the De-partment of the Potomac, Grand Army of the Republic, to be in charge of the cere-

The lack of room in the Willard building has made it necessary to quarter the steamboat inspection service in the Builders' Exfirst intended. The bureau of immigration will be moved into the Willard, that being the only branch of the new department accommodated there, except those bureaus that have been moved into the building from the Builders' Exchange building

# MINISTER CONGER OBJECTED.

### Opposed Transfer of Negotiations to Peking.

The State Department is awaiting further advices from Minister Conger before consenting to the transfer from Shanghai to Peking of the pending negotiations for a commercial treaty between the United States and China. Mr. Conger at first interposed a strong objection to the proposed transfer, and the department desires to know the basis for that objection. It has been intimated, unofficially, that the Chinese purpose was to bring in negotiations more nearly under the influence of Cheng-Chi Tung, represented to be anti-foreign in principle, but that statement is ques-tioned here, where it was supposed that Tung and Wu Ting Fang, late minister to Washington, were acting in harmony, and were at least pro-American in their tenden

It is said that the treaty is practically complete in its commercial features, but that the deadlock is over the opening of Moukden and other ports, and, under foreign influences opposed to such opening the Chinese, it is said, are seeking to temporize by suggesting the treatment of that question in a separate agreement. The ob-jection from the American point of view for that course lies in the fact that with a satisfactory commercial treaty already negotiated, the American commissioners would have nothing to offer the Chinese in

# The Potomac Floated.

Capt. Dunlap, the naval commandant at San Juan, informed the Navy Department by telegraph this morning that the naval tug Potomac, which ran aground in Fajardo harbor, has been floated and found uninjured.

### Movements of Naval Vessels The gunboat Concord has been placed in ommission at the navy vard. Mare Island.

The monitor Florida will be placed in ssion at the New York navy yard next Thursday.

Witness Tells of Awful Scenes at Heppner.

WAVE CARRIED GREAT TREES ON ITS CREST.

Wall of Water Poured Down Creek Bed From Mountain Side With

PORTLAND, Ore, June 16 .- A special to the Oregonian from Ione, Ore., says: David McAtee, a business man of Heppner, whose residence is on a bench above Heppner, was an eye-witness of the flood disaster yesterday. In company with Frank Spaulding, he left Heppner about 10:30

"On Sunday afternoon," said Mr. McAtee, there had been a severe rainstorm, accompanied with much wind and lightning. was standing in front of the house and noticed that a cloud of remarkable density approached the top of the hill on the east side of the canyon. I turned for a moment, when a roar caused me to look again at the hill. I saw a wall of water, the height of which I would be afraid to gauge, rushing down the mountain, carrying immense trees and timbers on its crest and tearing

Howard was the first to fall, and his entire family was drowned. In the Krug dences. All of these houses were about ter. The house of Abram Hamsick was entirely demolished. The Palace Hotel was the first building to stem the tide, and all the guests were saved, but the houses bestreet, overturned and wrecked. The residence of G. A. Rhea was carried away and the entire family, consisting of wife and three daughters, and Miss Adkins, a cousin, were lost.

"Mr. Rhea himself was absent in Portland attending the Masonic convention. C. E. Redfield, whose residence was completely destroyed, was also absent with Mr. Rhea, and his wife and baby were drowned. "A. C. Gieger's house was carried away

is in the east. louse being carried down the creek three stretched arms. Dr. McSwords and J. Ayres, who were living in the same residence

### Clung to the Roof.

"Oscar Miner's house was next demolished and Mrs. Miner drowned. The rest of the family succeeded in saving their lives by clinging to the roof. All of the Wells family but two were lost, and the house was carried away. With the Wells residence went the house of George Swaggert. Mr. Swaggert's two married daughters were lory house was carried 150 yards, and was lory, a crippled old man, was found safe. holding a baby. James Matlock's house was next. Mr. Matlock was drowned, but his family was saved. Dr. Higgs' house

"Here one child was drowned, but the rest of the family escaped. Mrs. Elder was drowned in her residence. The house of Mr. Boyd and of Mr. Walton were also destroyed and both families lost.

away. at the Heppner Hotel. This house, which was run under the management of Jones & Ashbaugh, was carried away. It is supposed that there were about fifty guests in this hotel, all of whom are reported to be lost. The proprietors themselves were saved, but their families are among the

dead.
"The house of Benjamin Patterson, Mr. Dunn and Mr. Noble were entirely demol-ished and all persons in these three families drowned, as were the families of James Jones and Henry Blair. The barn of Dr Swineburn and the big livery stable of White & Meadows were entirely destroyed. E. J. Farnsworth and Philip Cohn were also drowned.

"The entire residence portion of Heppner was destroyed, but the business houses, being on higher ground and being generally built of brick and stone, were not so badly damaged. The school house and court damaged. house, which stand on a side hill, were saved, but two churches, the Methodist and Presbyterian, were completely wrecked.

"Around the depot the rising water left great heaps of driftwood, piled higher than the roof of the station, and the rescuing parties were forced to demolish these pyramids of timber in order to extricate the corpses which were tangled in the brush. Undoubtedly many of the drowned bodies were carried by the rushing waters down

"Gangs of men are at work clearing away the piles of debris, rocks and timbers which lie piled in heaps in the streets and taking out the corpses which are thus concealed, About 100 persons have already been buried in Heppner's graveyard. Owing to the entire absence of proper facilities for caring for the dead the victims of the flood were for the most part interred in common

### List of the Dead.

IONE, Oregon, June 16.-The names of 189 persons whose bodies have been recovered, or who are missing and believed to be dead as a result of the Heppner flood, have been obtained.

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 16.-The gradual rise in the Fraser river still continues and the lowlands in several districts are under water. A break in the Pitt river dike resulted in the submerging of several hundred acres of land. There are fifty farmers living on Nacoman Island, and a steamer was sent up from New Westminster today to take off the people and cattle. So far there has been but one drowning.

nessed the Heppner disaster, as follows: "From the time the flood came until it went into the regular channel of the cre

flowing through the town, was about two hours. It was about 5 o'clock when the storm first started to gather to the west of Heppner. It was a small, dark cloud at first, but it rapidly grew worse, accompanied by heavy wind and lightning. "It was undoubtedly the last heavy flash of lightning that caused the worth." of lightning that caused the water to fall in such an immense body. It struck fairly in the canon of Willow creek, six miles above town, and there was no warning until the mighty wall of water had reached

Swept Everything Clear. "As it came rushing down the creek bed

TERRIBLE TORRENT it tore down everything in its path. When t reached Heppner the water was more than fifteen feet high, splashing, falling leaping and creating a mighty, roaring,

rushing flood. "Those who were on the streets shouted warnings as they rushed madly to the hills for their lives. They did not dare to turn back or they, too, would have been swept

"Fathers left wives and children to per ish as they had not a moment to spare. In some cases men returned to save members of their families, but it was too late, and many were carried to their death while returning. Those who had reached the banks in safety immediately formed them-selves into rescuing parties, and started in to save those that could be reached Ropes were the only means that we had It was useless to attempt to use other means. Those who were in midstream could easily be seen. Their cries for help could be heard, but nothing could be done. We could only stand and see them go to their death.

### Property Loss \$500,000.

"It is estimated that the damage done to property alone was \$500,000. Some of the brick and stone buildings were moved from

their foundations. "The goods in several buildings were saved. When those merchants opened for ousiness they sent word to the relief committee to come and take what goods were wanted. People were coming in from all directions to the assistance of the suffer-They could not come by rail, for nine miles of the track below town was washed All wire communication was prostrated.

### Hero of the Day.

"Leslie Matlock, a young man, was the hero of the day. When the flood first came he mounted a horse and rode at break-neck speed down the canon, in front of the rushing water, to notify the people of Lexington, a small town nine miles below. He had to go over a rough and stony road and the night was dark and stormy. He arrived at Lexington just a few minutes ahead of the flood. The peo-ple were warned and immediately left for the hillside. When the flood had passe only two houses were standing."

### NAVY IS POPULAR.

### Nearly Every State Has Candidates for Annapolis. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 16 .- There will be nearly seven hundred candidates to take the examinations beginning here tomorrow for entrance to the Naval Academy as midshipmen.

About two hundred of the youths have been here for some time preparing at the preparatory schools of Werntz and Wilmer. The incoming trains of the past several Conser was standing in water up to his neck, holding his wife upon the roof and days have brought dozens more. All are keeping her from slipping with his out-lexpected to report at the academy by tonight, and the examinations will begin tomorrow morning. Nearly every state in the

Union is represented.

The candidates have experienced considerable trouble in engaging quarters, as the hotels and boarding houses had but few spare rooms, and a number of them have been taken in by private families. The new fourth class which the successful ones will enter will number upward of three hundred members, and will be the largest class ever

### DELAY ON THE GALVESTON.

Effect of Failure of the Trigg Ship-

building Company. Litigation following the failure of the Trigg Shipbuilding Company of Richmond. Va., has delayed the execution of the plans of the Navy Department for the transfer of the unfinished cruiser Galveston from that yard to the navy yard at Norfolk, where she is to be completed at the expense of the sureties of the defaulting contractors. The removal of the vessel is opposed by some of the subcontractors for work on the vessel unless their claims against the Triggs are settled. They believe that their chances of satisfaction are better while the vessel is in the hands of the Triggs, especially as the vessel will not actually belong to the government until after her completion and final accept-

The Navy Department is at a loss how to proceed in the premises, and the Attor-ney General has been asked for an opinion in the matter. Meanwhile all proceedings are in abeyance. The War Department i ure. That company was building a hydrauic dredge for the engineer department, and it, too, was left unfinished when the company failed. Action with respect to that vessel will be governed by the advice of the Attorney General in the matter of the Galveston.

### ITINERARY MADE PUBLIC.

### Plans of the European Squadron for the Next Few Weeks.

The itinerary of the European squadron in north European waters as made public this morning by Secretary Moody shows that the squadron, which is now at Southampton, England, will leave that place on the 23d instant for K.el, where it will remain one week. June 30 the vessels will turn westward again, going to Portsmouth, where they will remain until the 5th or 6th of July. The squadron will remain at Portsmouth about a week, and it is expected that it will be entertained there by the municipality, which has signified a wish that the visit will take place, and, incidentally, some of the officers may visit London and be presented to King Edward. About the 11th or 12th of July the squadron will leave Ports mouth for some point to be designated by Admiral Cotton, resuming the routine squadron drill maneuvers. The big battle ship Kearsarge will be detached from the squadron and recross the Atlantic to take her place again in the North Atlantic

### Government of Midway Islands.

Secretary Moody has received a letter from Lieutenant Commander Hugh Rodman, commanding the naval station at Honolulu, saying that, in the absence of any regularly appointed United States government official at the Midway Islands. he had requested the superintendent of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company at that place to see that all laws and regulations relating to the islands are carried out and to notify the commandant at Honolulu in case anything serious occurs. The cable superintendent was also requested to prevent the wanton destruction of birds that breed at Midway and not allow them to be killed or disturbed except for purposes of

### Personal Mention. Senator Culberson of Texas, who is in the city, will leave Thursday for his home in

President Mitchell's Advice Has Prevailed.

### RESOLUTIONS PASSED

WITH CONVENTION.

ed by Their Able President to

SCRANTON. Pa., June 16.-President

The resolutions were adopted without a dissenting vote. Following this the delegates in the different districts voted separately, after which the convention by a rising vote ratified the action.

### Conciliation Board.

Another resolution was adopted providing that all grievances instead of being thrashed out in debate should be given to the conciliation board for consideration.

The convention adjourned at 11:50 o'clock to meet again at 2 p.m. Adjournment was taken for the purpose of giving the operators an opportunity to either accept or reject the action of the convention in indorsing the action of the executive board in appointing the members of the board of conciliation. There is no doubt that the operators will accept the action of the

### No Advance Yet Due.

President Mitchell told the convention there was no advance in wages yet due the miners. The average price of coal has not been higher than \$4.52. By the end of June the average price will have reached \$4.62, which will entitle the miners to a 2 per cent increase. President Mitchell said he had seen these figures and had reason to

believe they were correct.

The operators' members of the conciliation board are in Scranton, and it is almost certain they will accept this morning's ac-tion of the convention. It is probable the convention will adjourn finally before 3 o'clock and that everything will be settled so as to avert all possibility of a strike.

### Miners Are at Work.

ALTOONA, Pa., June 16.-Up to noon today the bituminous miners employed by the Webster Coal Company had received no strike orders from their officials, and all except the Ben's creek miners are at work. The Ben's creek checkweighman, who was forcibly removed from the coal tipple on Saturday by the foreman for the Webster Company and the coal and fron police, says he will bring suit against the company under the state laws. The other operators in this district say they do not approve the course of the Webster company in violating

### GORMAN IS POPULAR.

the joint agreement.

Thurman Says Democrats Want Marylander for 1904.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, June 16.-Allen W. Thurman says he has received a great many letters from democrats since he elected for Gorman for 1904, and only one writer is adverse to Gorman. He is a West Virginian, who charges Gorman with infidelity to the party on the tariff question. "Gorman is entitled to credit for what he did to the Wilson bill," said Thurman today. "He found that it would not produce as much revenue as the nation needed, and he had it amended so as to bring the deficit down to \$20,000,000. He came that near saving the measure from proving a failure, but a scapegoat was needed for the failure of the Cleveland adminis-

### as the man. He ought to be praised rather, than blamed for that action. MINISTER RESIGNS.

tration, and Senator Gorman was selected

### Striking Norfolk Marine Engineeers Claim to Be Gaining.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NORFOLK, Va., June 16 .- Rev. Dr. Albert Buxton has resigned as pastor of the Church of Christ Disciples here to become president of the Christian Denomination College at Dexter, Missourl. Rev. Justin N. Green of Cincinnati or Rev. C. N. Floyd

of Washington, Ind., will succeed him here. "The marine engineers' strike is by no means at an end," is the statement made by the strikers this afternoon. The Old Dominion Steamship Company brought out thirty-five yard dash were contested. one of its river steamers today, which the company says, is being run by engineers from New York. The strikers claim that engineers from the companys ocean steamers are being used, and that their cost is greater than the scale demanded by the strikers.

### FREE FIGHT IN SAMOA. Jealousy Causes Row Between Guards

and Villagers. TUTUILA, Samoa, June 1, via San Fran cisco, June 16 .- On the night of May 12 some members of the native guard called upon Samoan school girls at the native mission house at Fegatoga and several

young men of the place, in a spirit of jeal-

ousy, stoned the guard. Several free fights between the guards and the villagers followed. The disturbance was quelled by Native Governor Mauga and the chiefs, but not until five soldiers were seriously hurt. Threats were made to burn the town, but were not carried out.

The native chiefs are desirous of being present at the forthcoming St. Louis exposition and have sent petitions to President Roosevelt to help American Samoa to be represented.

### JUDGES SENT TO JAIL.

Chicago Election Case Settled by Judge Carter.

CHICAGO, June 16 .- Three judges of election, who officiated in the eighteenth ward during the recent judicial election, were today found guilty of contempt of court and sentenced by Judge Carter to three months' imprisonment in the county jail.

The guilty men are John J. Kelly, Harry O'Donovan and Hiram B. Sherman. They were charged with having permitted men registered from lodging houses to vote re-peatedly and to impersonate deceased per-sons whose names appeared on the regis-tration lists

# HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS POST OFFICE SCANDAL

LEPER DIVORCES EXCITE CHURCH OPPÓSITION.

Consumption Responsible for Twenty Per Cent of Deaths Last

Month.

HONOLULU, June 9, via San Frncisco, June 16.-As a result of the resolutions of the United States Senate committee that visied here last fall and local agitation, the board of health is trying to arrange about sixty divorces at the leper settlement on Molokai, and the assistance of the attor-

ney general has been invoked. In all the cases under consideration the hus band or wife is at the settlement, while the other person is away. These partitions have resulted in conditions at the settlement that the Senate committee strongly condemned, and it is the opinion of many that the moral situation would be greatly improved if the lepers were free to intermarry at Molokai. The plan has aroused much local opposition, chiefly of a religious

About \$3,000 in silver coins of the Hawallan monarchy have been taken up at the leper settlement and exchanged for American money. The coin was all fumigated before leaving the settlement. It goes to San Francisco to be recoined into

American money.

A cable order received by Capt. White, U. S. N., directing him to take possession of the channel wharf for the Navy Department created much surprise here, and re-sulted in many protests being cabled. The same wharf was only recently selected by Commissioner Sargent for a temporary immigration station, and it is much used by steamers. The reply to the protests sent to Washington was to the effect that the present arrangements will not be disturbed pending a settlement

Pleas have been filed in the United States district court in the cases brought by F. W. Berger against E. F. Bishop to recover \$1,000 each on account of 118 Coreans alleged to have been illegally imported as laborers. The pleas are on the ground that the right of Coreans to land had already been adjudicated by a board of inquiry. A test case probably will be taken to the United States Supreme Court.
The mortality report of the board of

### most 20 per cent of the deaths were due to HUNGARY'S PREMIER QUITS. Obstruction to the Army Bill His Justi-

health for the last month shows an unusua

percentage of death from consumption. Al-

fication. BUDAPEST, June 16.-Premier de Szell announced today in the lower house of the Hungarian diet that he had tendered his resignation to King Francis Joseph on Sun-

day last, and that his majesty had accepted

Reports that the cabinet intended resign-

ing had been in circulation prior to the

assembling of parliament, so there was considerable tension in the house when it assembled. The entrance of the premier was the signal for an outburst of cheers from his supporters, while the opposition retorted with scoffing shouts of "What a happy with scoffing shouts of "What a funeral!" The premier, rising, said: "I have repeatedly set forth the principles and views which have guided my policy in regard to the opposition manifested by obstructionists to the army bill. On those occasions I said my policy could only be followed so long as full harmony of views

### dered my resignation to the king on Sun-day, and his majesty has been pleased to accept it. I beg the house to adjourn pending the formation of a new cabinet.

As such harmony no longer exists I ten-

prevailed among all the factors

### CAPT. GORDON LOST. Son of Former Confederate General

Wanted at Home. CHICAGO, June 16 .- A dispatch to the Tribune for Atlanta, Ga., says: Gen. John B. Gordon, commander of the United Confederate Veterans, has sent out a notice requesting the police to locate his

son, Capt. Frank Gordon, and return him Mr. Rand, or any one else against whom there might be a breath of suspicion as to Captain Gordon left home last week with his nerves greatly overwrought, and since then nothing has been heard of him. General Gordon thinks he is wandering about

### the country.

BLIND ATHLETES. Interesting Competition in Field

Sports in Wisconsin. CHICAGO, June 16 .- A dispatch to .th Tribune from Janesville, Wis., says: The eighty-eight inmates of the state institute for the blind have held their field day sports here.

Of the fifteen boys who competed for the prizes offered, thirteen were totally blind and the other two could see only moving objects. The hurdles, pole vault and hammer throwing were left out, but in their place the standing high jump, the standing broad jump, the foot ball kick, and the A boy named Gonia, totally blind, was first in the thirty-five yard dash in 0.4 flat. The distance for the running broad jump was 17 feet 8 inches, and the standing high

# jump was 4 feet. The foot ball was kicked SENATORIAL PICNIC.

Itinerary of Alaskan Trip-To Be Gone

Two Months. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., June 16.-Senators Beveridge, Dillingham and Durham of the subcommittee of the Senate committee on territories will meet at Chicago Thursday

or Friday for a final conference before the

subcommittee starts on its Alaskan trip.

It will sail from Seattle, Wash., June 28 Senator Beveridge will not go, but will leave for the woods of Maine or the far north about July 1 for a complete rest. The itinerary calls for an absence of fifty-seven days. Daniel M. Ransdell, sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, will accom-pany the committee, which will visit Skagway, Juneau, Dawson, St. Michael, Nome Seal Islands, Unalaska, Karluk, Kodiak Kenal. Valdez and Sitka.

### EDWARD AT ASCOT.

King, Queen and Prince of Wales At tend Races. LONDON, June 16 .- At the Ascot meeting

today the race for the gold vase, presented by the king (for three-year-olds and upward; two miles), was won by Zinfande Florinda was second and Wavelets Pride was third.

The race for the Ascot stakes (of 20 sov

ereigns each, with 2,000 sovereigns added

about two miles), was won by Genius Scullion was second and Rightful was third. Eighteen horses started. The king and queen, accompanied by the Prince of Wales and the Duke of Connaught, attended the meeting today.

LONDON, June 16.—King Edward's Derby

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# Rumor of Two Warrants for

# ALL NON-COMMITTAL

Arrest.

NONE OF THE OFFICIALS WILL TALK ON THE SUBJECT.

Postmaster General Denies Silly Story About Stopping Publicity in Regard to Investigation.

There was plenty of interest manifested about the Post Office Department shortly before noon over a report that warrants had been issued for the arrest of two persons involved in the scandals that have been under investigation for the past three

Excitement would be a better word to use in the connection than interest, for in these days of arrests and rumors the employes of the Post Office Department have come to be easily disturbed.

Within twenty minutes after the report reached the Post Office Department it was known to every person in the building and great was the speculation as to the next persons to be placed under arrest. Postmaster General Payne saw the news-

### asked him was as to his knowledge of the warrants reported to have been issued. As to the Rumored Warrants.

papermen in conference at 12 o'clock. He

lay on the sofa in his private office when

his daily visitors filed in. The first question

"It is a question that I can't, with propriety, discuss," he replied. "Were the warrants issued in Washington?" one of his visitors asked.

"I can't say."

rest of any one today?" his questioner per "I will not affirm or deny," the Postmaster General answered.

The Postmaster General again explained t would be improper for him, as an official, to say anything about warrants until persons who might be wanted had been reached by the court officers.

"Have warrants been issued for the ar-

Inspector Maher, who was encountered coming from the office of the assistant attorney for the Post Office Department a few minutes later, denied that warrants had been issued for the arrest of any persons in Washington. Mr. Maher said he had been to the city hall and he knew of no warrants having

### been sworn out here in the District. He said subpoenas had been issued for two persons to appear before the grand jury, which today resumed the consideration of

A Silly Story. Postmaster General Payne denounced as silly a story which appeared in a morning newspaper in New York, to the effect that the President had demanded that the Postmaster General refrain from giving out interviews to the press and that this was the reason the daily audience with newspaper-

men was discontinued yesterday.
"Would it seem that I had been forbidden to speak to my newspaper friends when I am talking with you now?" the Postmaster General asked.

### a representative of The Evening Star that is was amusing to see the emphasis placed on the fact that he had asked Mr. Bristow, his fourth assistant, to make an investiga-tion of Mr. H. H. Rand, the Postmaster

General's confidential clerk. Investigation of Rand. "A few days after I returned from my southern trip," Mr. Payne said, "I think it was in the early part of April, I had placed in my hands a package of papers which purported to have been written by Mr. Rand. Without breaking the string which surrounded the bunch of letters I and told him to make an investigation of

### wrong doing. "I remember well that I said to Mr. Bristow to investigate every one. I said to

"Investigate me if you find any suspicion of wrong. I want a sweeping inves-tigation. It is all old news." There was every indication in what he said to The Evening Star reporter that the Postmaster General is determined to self and his associates in making the investigation of the Post Office Department scandals thorough and sweeping.

### The Grand Jury.

The grand jury held only a brief session today and then adjourned until tomorrow. No witnesses in connection with the Post Office Department investigation appeared. Assistant United States Attorney Taggart was in close conference with two post offi nspectors during the greater portion of the day, however, and a number of subpoenas were issued, presumably for wit-nesses to appear tomorrow in the Tyner Several inspectors were at the United States attorney's office until late

### not aware of any such action. If such warrants should be issued the action would probably be taken by a United States commissioner, on complaint of post

office inspectors.

A rumor gained wide circulation today

hat the United States attorney's office had

arrest of two more Post Office Department

directed the issuance of warrants for the

officials, but those prosecuting officers in a position to know declared that they were

DEATHS IN THE ARMY. Victims of Disease in the Philippines.

Adjutant General Corbin is informed that

the following deaths have occurred in the

Philippines since last previous report:

Cholera-Thomas A. Jennings, Company G. 27th Infantry, June 7; Arthur G. Paris, Company K, 26th Infantry, June 9; Austin B. Cochran, Troop D, 15th Cavalry, June 1; Walter C. Latham, Company B, 18th Infantry, June 6; Dan Campbell, Troop L, 15th Cavalry, June 10; Ben A. Patrick, Troop G, 1st Cavalry, June 3. Malarial fever—John Lee, Company H, 2d Battalion Engineers, May 29. Drowned (body recovered)-Andrew B. Welker, Company H, 2d Battalion Enrineers, June 1. -Frithiof Thelander, Company H,

### TROOPS NO LONGER NEEDED.

18th Infantry, June 4.

Multiple carbuncle—Homer L. Cash, Company H, 5th Infantry, June 13.

Gen. Baldwin Orders Back Those Recently Sent to Morenci. The adjutant general is informed by Gen-

eral Baldwin at Denver, Col., that "the governor of Arizona reports troops no onger needed at Morenci. Have ordered them to return to proper stations. Con-template sending one troop, 3d Cavalry, on practice marches from Apache to touch entry, Mead, won the Prince of Wales

# KING PETER INFORMED

# Deputation Officially Announced His Election

# TO BELGRADE MONDAY

Martial Music Reign.

The chamber met at 10 o'clock this morncelebrated Lack of Interest.

by no means has a festive appearance. To Have Free Hand.

the constitution until the arrival of King Peter, thus giving the new sovereign a free hand in granting a new constitution.

This is partly confirmed by the report of

Unfounded Rumor. CONSTANTINOPLE, June 16.-The report published in New York that Madame Christich and her son Milan whose father was the late King Milan of Servia, had left Constantinople for the Servian frontier is unfounded. They have not left Constanti-

### Mr. Jackson, who went to Belgrade to present his credentials to the late King Alexander, will now be under the necessity of awaiting the arrival of fresh credentials

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. PORTSMOUTH, Va., June 16.-The monitor Nevada has arrived at the navy yard here for an extensive overhauling and alterations, such as were made upon the Arkansas, her sister ship, after she left the

Trolley.

The most seriously injured were: Miss

### the second case.

Irresistible Force.

clock Sunday night on horseback.

### the very rocks from their foundations.

Houses Torn Away. "The terrific storm struck the upper part of the town first. The residence of Thomas home, also, every person was drowned, as was the case in the Hale and Saling resifour or five blocks above the business cenlow that structure were blown out into the

and Mr. Gieger was drowned. His family "George Conser's house was reached next, but the family succeeded in saving their lives by rushing to the upper stories, the quarters of a mile. Rescuers found that the house had been cut in two, and Mr.

also went. Greatest Loss of Life.

"Mr. Barton succeeded in saving all per sons in his residence, although they were badly bruised. The house itself was washed "Perhaps the greatest loss of life occurred

The barn of Dr.

Piles of Driftwood.

In addition the bodies of seven Chinese three Japanese and twenty-one strangers and babies, names unknown, go to swell the list. More than one hundred people remain to be accounted for. More Flood Scares.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 16.—A dispatch to the Spokesman-Review from Echo, Ore., quotes N. I. Tooker of Portland, who witnessed the Heppner disaster, as follows:

# OPERATORS EXPECTED TO AGREE

# Anthracite Mine Workers Are Influenc-Continue Work.

### Mitchell's advice has prevailed and all talk of strike has been silenced. The convention of the anthracite mine workers today adopted resolutions providing that each district should vote separately on the election of the representatives on the conciliation board.